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APPLICANTS: Mulinder et al CONFIRMATION NO.: 8583  
APPLICATION NO.: 09/963,241 GROUP NO.: 3693  
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TITLE: REAL-TIME TRADING SYSTEM

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 28, 2006 in the above-identified application, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute, without traverse, the claims of Group I invention, namely claims 1-25 and 31-69. The Applicants further elect to prosecute, without traverse, the claims of the Group I species, namely claims 1-25 and 45-69.

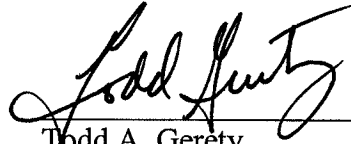
Applicants hereby request that the remaining claims, namely 26-44 and 70-74, be withdrawn. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the withdrawn claims in future related applications. Additionally, to the extent that a claim in the Group I species passes to allowance, Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce any of the withdrawn claims back into the application as appropriate. Applicants respectfully request that the application now proceed promptly to examination. For the Examiner's convenience, a Listing of Claims is provided below.

If the Examiner believes that a conversation with Applicants' representative would be helpful in expediting prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the number below.

In the event any fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-3081.

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